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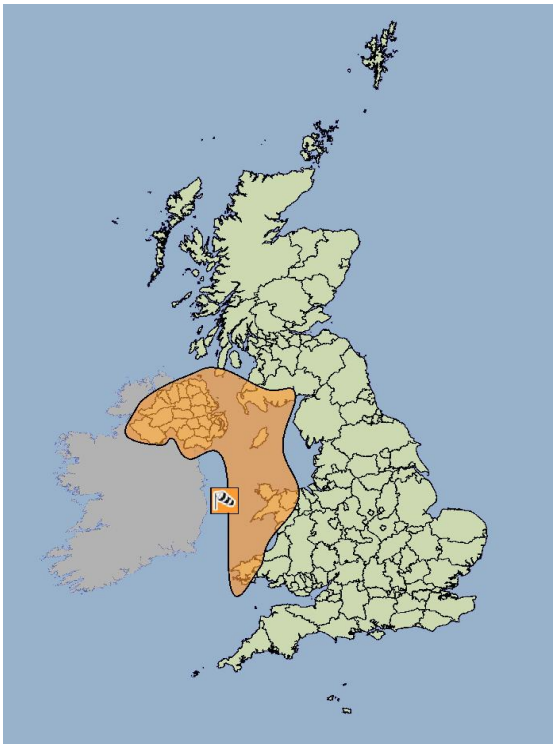

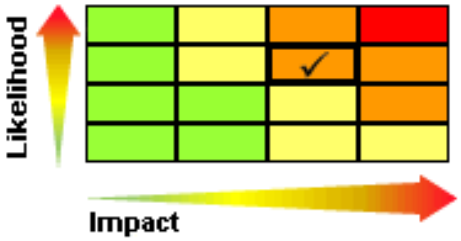

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Ex-Ophelia will move northwards across the west of Ireland today bringing some very strong winds to Northern Ireland along with parts of north and west Wales and the extreme southwest of Scotland.

Gusts of 55-65 mph are expected widely with 80 mph gusts likely in places. A smaller area of very gusty winds is then likely to run across Northern Ireland from the west with 65-75 mph gusts possible for a short period of time in any one location.

Winds are expected to peak across Northern Ireland and north and west Wales this afternoon including this evening's busy travel period and to peak across southwest Scotland this evening.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **12:00 on Mon, 16th Oct 2017** until **23:00 on Mon, 16th Oct 2017**

A spell of very windy weather is expected today in association with ex-Ophelia.

Longer journey times and cancellations are likely, as road, rail, air and ferry services may be affected as well as some bridge closures.

There is a good chance that power cuts may occur, with the potential to affect other services, such as mobile phone coverage.

Flying debris is likely, such as tiles blown from roofs, as well as large waves around coastal districts with beach material being thrown onto coastal roads, sea fronts and properties. This leads to the potential for injuries and danger to life.

This warning has been updated to extend it into parts of north and west Wales and into the extreme southwest of Scotland. The start time has been brought forward to 1200 to cater for southwest Wales but the impacts elsewhere are more likely later in the afternoon and into this evening.

For enquiries regarding this warning please contact the Met Office Weather Desk
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  - County Down
  - County Fermanagh
  - County Londonderry
  - County Tyrone
- SW Scotland, Lothian Borders
  - Dumfries and Galloway
- Strathclyde
  - Argyll and Bute
  - South Ayrshire
- Wales
  - Carmarthenshire
  - Ceredigion
  - Conwy
  - Denbighshire
  - Gwynedd
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